

## **SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation 2021 Work Plan**

### 1. Proposed Work for 2021 in Response to Leaders/Ministers/SOM Decisions and SCE Priorities.

- Provide policy recommendations that are related to ECOTECH groups to SOM;
- Coordinate and supervise all ECOTECH-related Working Groups and Policy Partnerships, including reviewing and recommending any fora's ToR revision to SOM;
- Review the operation and effectiveness of the SCE;
- Provide policy guidance on the ECOTECH agenda in the development of sub-fora strategic plans;
- Continue to implement SCE's Decision on Standardized Fora Assessment program;
- Determine eligibility and score concept notes applying for funding under ASF sub-funds assigned to the responsibility of the SCE; and,
- Consolidate the SCE Fora Reports and prepare annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers.

### 2. Strengthening coordination among and across sub-fora

- Coordinate the efforts and promote cross-fora collaboration of SCE sub-fora in implementing the 2040 Putrajaya Vision;
- Promote cross-fora collaboration across APEC sub-fora, including through implementation of the 2016 Recommendations on Cross-Fora Collaboration together with the 2017 APEC Guidelines on Promoting Cross-Fora Collaboration;
- Review and consider any possible options to make the SCE and SCE COW arrangements more effective; and
- Supervise or coordinate cross-cutting issues and specific initiatives assigned to SCE.

### 3. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2021

- Implementation of Standardized Fora Assessment Program, including convening of the Assessment Team for 2021;
- Consideration of new ways to strengthen cross fora collaboration through the SCE process;
- Approval of the SCE sub-fora's annual work plans;
- Continue oversight of SCE projects and initiatives (list on following page);
- Review and approval of the Strategic Plans for those sub-fora with expiring strategic plans;

- Review and recommendation of the revised ToRs of certain sub-fora to SOM, including in connection with governance reforms agreed by SOM in 2017;
- Submission of the annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers at AMM 2021; and
- Review and make recommendation to SOM on those sub-fora with expiring Terms of Reference

<b>SCE Projects and Initiatives</b>	<b>Project Number</b>	<b>Lead Economy</b>
Inclusive Digital Society: Alleviating Poverty and Improving Living Standards through Increased Economic Growth		China
Initiative for Realizing Sustainable Cities Focusing on Improvement of Resources Circulation and Waste Management	SCE 01 2019A	Japan
Completion Assessment of APEC 2020 Forest Cover Goals	SCE 01 2019S	China
APEC Case Study: Best Practices of Smart Cities in the Digital Age	SCE 02 2019S	Chile and China
Multi-Year Policy Dialogue on Innovative Waste Management	SCE 01 2020S	Malaysia
Case Studies on Advancing Inclusive Economies: Understanding and Valuing Indigenous Economies	SCE 02 2020S	New Zealand

#### 4. Current SCE Projects and Initiatives